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COMMENTS/INSTRUCTIONS:

Please see attached Response to Restriction Requirement in reply to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement of March 15, 2005 for U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/654,745.

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In re Patent Application of: JACKSON) Examiner: R. ALEXANDER
Serial No. 10/654,745) Art Unit: 1761
Filing Date: SEPTEMBER 4, 2003) Attorney Docket No.) 11-12767 (56070)
For: JUICE EXTRACTOR WITH ORIFICE)
Tube beam movable between)
OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE)
POSITIONS AND ASSOCIATED)
METHODS)
)

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of March 15, 2005 Applicant hereby elects Group I, Claims 1-12. As the Examiner correctly recognized these claims are directed to a juice extractor. More particularly, Claims 1-9 are directed to a juice extractor including orifice tube beam locks, while Claims 10-12 are directed to a juice extractor including a lift assist for the orifice tube beam.

Claims 13-18 (Group II) are directed to the subcombination of the orifice tube beam locks, and these claims are patentably distinct. However, Applicant respectfully highlights that dependent Claims 13-18 of Group II will require a similar search to the search require for the elected Claims 2-5 of Group I.

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Similarly, Claims 19-21 (Group III) are directed to the subcombination of the orifice tube beam lift assist, and these claims are patentably distinct. Applicant notes that Claims 19-21 of Group III will require a similar search to that required for the elected Claims 10-12 of Group I.

Lastly, method Claims 22-29 (Group IV), although patentably distinct, will also require a search similar to the search for the elected Claims 1-12 of Group I.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner use his discretion under 35 U.S.C. §121 and withdraw the restriction requirement since search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden.

If any extension and/or fee is required, authorization is given to charge Deposit Account No. 01-0484.

Respectfully submitted,

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